FR4185180 Motter Avenue Bridge Project Construction Update

December 18, 2012



A new curb and sidewalk are in place along Opossumtown Pike near Hampton Inn and Suites. (December 17, 2012.)

Please drive carefully through the work zone and beyond:

- Observe new signs and flaggers during lane closures.
- Watch for construction equipment and working crews.
- Automated speed enforcement is in place on US 15. The speed limit is 55 mph.



The center tower that will support a temporary pedestrian bridge over US 15 is in place in the highway median.

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Recent Accomplishments:

- 1. Crews have placed new curb and sidewalk along the southbound side of Opossumtown Pike approaching the bridge over US 15 (see photo at upper left). The sidewalk was moved to allow the roadway to be widened.
- 2. Crews have been driving sheet pile, or steel supports, on the southbound side of US 15. These will anchor the northern abutment, or end support, of the temporary pedestrian bridge that will carry pedestrians and bicyclists across US 15 during construction on the Motter Avenue bridge. The center tower that will support this bridge is also in place (see photo at lower left).
- 3. Crews have been preparing to brace the existing Motter Avenue Bridge piers, or central supports, with concrete.
- 4. Utility crews have been installing conduit for relocated electrical lines along Opossumtown Pike.
- 5. Crews have continued to place storm drain structures and pipe along Motter Avenue/Opossumtown Pike.

Upcoming work schedule:

- 1. Crews will complete the abutments for the temporary pedestrian bridge.
- 2. Crews will finish grading the "fill area" along the east side of Motter Avenue, just south of the bridge over US 15, where crews have filled in earth to match the roadway elevation to make room to widen Motter Avenue.
- 3. Crews will continue utility relocation and storm drain installation work in various areas.

On behalf of Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA), I would like to thank you for your cooperation and patience. Please drive with caution through our work zone.

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